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EXPORT ORIENTED STATUS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has been operating hundred per cent export oriented units scheme to increase export;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the manufacturers/growers benefited under the scheme during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether increase in exports has also led to increase in foreign exchange; and

(d) if so, the foreign exchange received during the current year in comparison to the previous years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. As on 31.3.2006, a total of 2,037 Export Oriented Units (EOUs) were functioning in the country. EOUs are given a package of incentives which includes income tax exemption; duty free import of capital goods, raw materials and components; exemption from Central Excise duty and other levies on local purchases; deemed export benefits on capital goods and other inputs provided to the EOUs by Domestic Tariff Area suppliers and reimbursement of Central Sales Tax paid on the purchase of goods.

(c)& (d) The export performance of EOUs in US Dollar terms during the last three years are as under:-

Year	Export (In US $ Million)	Percentage Growth over previous year
2003-04	6390.77	
2004-05	8280.64	29.57
2005-06	7433.02	-10.24